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| TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES<br>DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)<br>CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371  |  |   | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)<br><b>10/031738</b> |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.<br><b>PCT/JP01/04290</b>  | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE<br><b>May 22, 2001</b> ✓ | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED<br><b>May 22, 2000</b> ✓          |   |
| TITLE OF INVENTION<br><b>Multi-Layer Paper Peelable Into At Least Two Tissue Sheets</b>   |  |   |   |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US<br><b>Ricoh Company, Ltd., Tohoku Ricoh Co., Ltd., Mishima Paper Co., Ltd.</b>  |  |   |   |
| Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:   |  |   |   |
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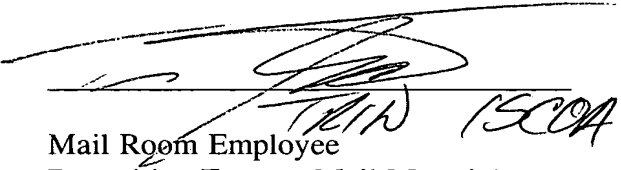
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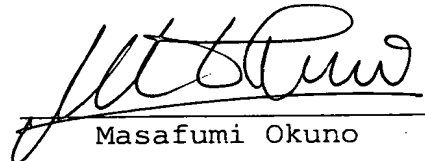
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VERIFICATION OF ENGLISH TRANSLATION OF INTERNATIONAL  
APPLICATION TO BE FILED WITH  
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